

## WASHINGTON TIMES SPORTS



## BASKETBALL IS NOW UPON ITS THIRTIETH YEAR

Changes in Code Have About Standardized Indoor Game. Has Become Popular.

By BRYAN MORSE.  
BASKETBALL is just in the offing. While a few games have been staged, the real business of getting down to regular contests is a matter of a week or so and the season will be in full swing. Compared with football and baseball, the game is in its infancy although this season marks the thirtieth year in which the sport has been played. Basketball has become the universal indoor athletic sport. It is played to almost as great a degree as football, and is rapidly coming, in this man's town, to the point where it is a drawing card of no mean consideration.

Despite its thirty years of existence the code has undergone radical changes. The character of the game has altered and since the co-ordination of the Intercollegiate, A. A. U., and N. C. A. A. codes, the game for all teams playing, rapid strides have been made in standardizing the game during the past five seasons.

Changes in the rules have been made for the sole purpose of improving the game for the good of the players and public. Efforts have been made to make the game open, clean and fast, to put a premium on speed and passing ability and condition.

Perfection Sought.  
Those who have the best interests of basketball at heart are still unsatisfied with results. Satisfaction was expressed with the changes of last year, while there has been a tendency in certain sections to reach a so-called "gentleman's agreement" and wink at the purpose of the code in the effort to provide rough contests. The West reached a decision last spring to "cut out the rough stuff" and to play basketball as it was intended.

The Intercollegiate Association, with a few minor changes, has decided finally to adopt the rules as read. It is expected that the so-called "defensive game" will be discarded this year to a great degree and teams coached not only to strictly observe the rule but the spirit of the rule.

In the same manner, officials are agreeing to standardize their work as much as possible and to fearlessly eradicate the evils that have cropped up in the past through lax work in handling the contests.

Changes Are Few.  
There have been few changes in the rules. On any ball tossed up by the referee, the players are required to keep one hand in contact with the middle of the small of the back and to keep it there until the ball is tapped. The referee is authorized to keep other players away.

"A player receiving the ball while standing still may take one step in any direction while in the act of putting the ball in play in any manner desired; i. e., dribbling, passing or shooting."

"Time out" may be called for by a captain only when his team is in possession of the ball, unless a player very evidently has been injured, when "time out" may be called immediately. Thirty seconds are allowed for substitution; more time than this incurs a penalty charge of one time out.

"Time out" cannot extend beyond two minutes, when play must be resumed. Substitutes, upon entering the game, are to closely approach the referee in order to report to him and be recognized before playing in the game.

No Other Changes.  
There are no other changes in the basketball code for the season. The rule in regard to the "taking of one step" will greatly simplify the officials' problems and allow an even faster game than last season.

The principal idea of the code seems to be to encourage speed, passing and to put a premium to physical condition. Basketball has taken a great hold in this country and from the time, thirty years ago, when a peach-basket was used in the Springfield gymnasium, has come to be not only a most interesting contest, but one as full of thrills as any game played.

New York May Get National Track Meet  
It is very likely that the scene of the outdoor national junior and senior track and field championships will be the Bronx, New York. This news was brought back by the A. A. U. delegates of the Metropolitan Association who recently attended the national convention in Chicago. In both of these meets representatives from all over the United States take part.

What is needed to bring the games to New York is the proper interest on the part of sport followers to prove to the Amateur Athletic Union officials that the games will be well patronized.

The national championships have not been held in the metropolitan district since 1916, when they were staged in conjunction with the 25th anniversary of N. Y. N. J. The two national championship meets, according to Frederick W. Rubien, president of the Metropolitan Association of the A. A. U., and secretary-treasurer of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, were awarded to the metropolitan district at the Chicago meeting, after the local delegates informed those at the convention that by next summer, with the completion of the Rice Stadium and Play Field, in Pelham Bay Park, the Bronx would be in a position to offer a suitable place in which the meets could be held.

Besides this agreement made by Mr. Rubien he also made it plain that he hoped if the games were held in the Rice Stadium the Bronx would also be in a position to offer suitable accommodations to the large number of out-of-town visitors that follow these games, with an up-to-date hotel that is now being planned.

## A Coming Wonder

CHARLES CARTER, captain of the Cornell University cross-country team, is expected to prove another John Paul Jones. He is rated by the followers of the Ithacans as the best middle-distance runner developed since Jones.

Jack Moakley, the Cornell coach, has taken Carter in hand and is giving him the benefit of his knowledge of the game. Moakley is not a bit backward in saying that Carter is the best "possibility" that ever pulled on a shoe.

## MONEY-MAD HE SPURNS SKINNY FRANC PURSES

Carpentier Suffers From "High Dollar Fever," and Ignores Paris Fans, Says Writer.

PARIS, Dec. 10.—That Carpentier is suffering from a "high dollar fever" and that Manager Franc Desamps no longer considers the champion as a boxer, but as a human capital which he exploits are points outlined in a letter received by the sporting editor of L'Auto, in which the correspondent asks that Carpentier fight again in his own country before his intended retirement.

The letter, as published by L'Auto, after referring to the Carpentier fight previous to which Desamps stated that Georges was ready to meet the Senegalese on condition that Siki first beat Nilles and Journee, two French heavyweights, reads: "The reason why the Carpentier-Siki project raises such controversy is not so much that Carpentier fears Siki, but rather because Desamps, knowing that the fight would have to be staged in Paris, simply fears the small purse in French francs. Naturally a purse in francs is nothing compared to a purse in dollars. Desamps today no longer considers Carpentier as a boxer, but as a human capital, which he wants to exploit to a maximum. Since Carpentier received about two million francs for the Dempsey fight, Desamps ignores French fans who could only offer a purse of a few hundred thousand."

"But Carpentier should not forget that he reached his high standing of today thanks to the encouragement of French fans who could only offer a purse of a few hundred thousand. With this thought in mind he should never have created the paradox of a French champion who for more than two years has not fought in his own country. He has an excellent opportunity of fighting in France now with Siki. He should accept the fight, and when he retires in the near future, as he intends doing, he will leave behind him the memory of a loved and courageous boxer instead, as many will easily believe, that of a business man."

## HINKLE MAKES GOOD.

Matt Hinkel, the Cleveland ring promoter, is officiating as referee in London these days and making good. His services are greatly in demand, according to reports from abroad.

## HE WANTS FRENCH.

Bill Eslick, manager of the Los Angeles Club, wants French, the Yankees' shortstop, next season, and says he will get him. First, though, French will have to be waived out of the American League.

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## FEAR OLYMPIC GAMES MAY GO TO LOS ANGELES

Paris Sportsmen Becoming Alarmed Over Delay in Starting Preparations for Meet.

PARIS, Dec. 10.—Paris sportsmen are now becoming seriously alarmed over the delay in starting arrangements for the Olympic games for July, 1924, awarded to Paris by the International Olympic committee at Lausanne. They fear that, unless something is done before the end of the year, the committee may reconsider its decision and give the games to Los Angeles.

All the anxieties thus far consulted concede that it will take nearly three years to construct a suitable stadium. Yet neither has the ground for such a stadium been chosen nor has any bill been introduced either in Parliament or the Municipal Council setting aside funds for its construction.

The French foreign office played an important part in securing the 1924 games for Paris. Both President Millerand and Premier Briand realized the value of the propaganda resulting to France if the meet were held here, and they urged French members of the committee to press the claims of Paris very strongly.

The city of Paris also took a strong hand. The municipal authorities argued that the summer season for Paris would thus be prolonged far beyond the running of the Grand Prix, when the capital is usually emptied of thousands of wealthy residents and visitors who go to the seaside resorts. They estimated that the games would bring several million francs to the hotel and shopkeepers of Paris.

But once the decision was reached there began a wrangle as to who should assume charge of the arrangements. The foreign office wants to boss the show, because it originated the idea of bringing the games here. The Department of Public Instruction, which has as one of its branches a department of sport, has put in its bid. Even certain officials of the ministry of war-and of the ministry of the interior think their departments should arrange for the meet, and naturally the Municipal Council of Paris is having a lot to say.

All these various officials are exchanging notes and battling for control. Meanwhile nothing actually has been done to plan for the 1924 Olympic.

## Title May Remain In Leonard Family

Benny Leonard, lightweight champion of the world, it has been known for a long time, has his eye on the welterweight championship. In all probability Benny will meet Jack Britton in a championship battle for the honors of the heavier class within a month or six weeks at a new club in Cleveland. As Leonard has no difficulty in making the lightweight limit, it was generally believed he was going out of his class in quest of new worlds to conquer. Such is not the case.

"The lightweight title will remain in the Leonard family for many years to come," said Benny at Madison Square Garden on Monday night. "It is not generally known that I have a kid brother, Billie, who will be ready to start within year. I'll turn him loose when he has the age and strength. He weighs only 125 pounds, but he will be a better fighter than I ever was. He'll be ready to hold the lightweight title when I am ready to graduate to the welter division. And he is going to be a heavier man than I when he matures, he'll be in line for the welterweight championship by the time Father Time calls a halt on my activities."

## HE'S A REFEREE.

George Burns, traded by the Giants to the Reds, is refereeing basketball games in New York state.

## MARYLAND GRID DATES SOON TO BE ANNOUNCED

Definite Arrangements Made for Games With Yale and Princeton Next Season.

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Dec. 10.—Maryland's football schedule is rapidly nearing completion and is expected to be announced the coming week. Among games definitely scheduled are those with Yale at New Haven on November 21, and with Princeton, October 21. North Carolina State will be played on Thanksgiving Day, but whether the game will be played in Baltimore or on the Tarheels' gridiron has not been decided.

Virginia Polytechnic Institute will be met November 4 at Roanoke, Va. Catholic University will be played the Saturday before Thanksgiving at American League Park in Washington. George Washington will probably be given a date.

Correspondence relative to contests is also being exchanged with Cornell, Washington College, Alabama, Georgia Tech, St. John's, Kentucky, Mt. St. Mary's, Clemons College, Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College, University of North Carolina, University of Richmond, Bucknell, Rutgers and Delaware.

Maryland will lose but two men of the varsity squad through graduation. They are Paganucci, who alternated at fullback with McGuire during the past season, and Gilbert who was a substitute halfback. Hough and Laine, tackle and fullback, respectively, on the freshmen eleven during the past season, are expected to make a strong bid for the varsity. Other likely starters who appear promising are Lewis, halfback; Peebles, halfback; Davis, end; Nishiser, tackle, and Beach.

Coach Byrd announced today that Roy Mackert, former Maryland star fullback, a resident of Sunbury, Pa., will direct all freshmen athletic activities in 1922.

## Amateur Bicycle Title For District at Stake

The amateur District of Columbia bicycle championship will be decided this week when leading amateur peddlers will pilot their wheels over the course at Convention Hall.

Eliminating contests will be held every night this week, beginning tomorrow. On Saturday night the final contest will be pulled off, the winner to be dubbed "champion of the District."

The contest is part of the program arranged by the Washington fair committee of the United Spanish War Veterans and Knights of Pythias. Among the noted local boys who have signed up to enter the contest are Vincent Massimo, C. L. Payne and J. G. Plato, the latter the present champion of the District.

Entries will be open until tonight, and should be sent to E. O. Munger, at 703 North Capitol street. The meet will be the first staged in Washington since before the world war.

## SCHAFFER IS COMING.

Young Jake Schaffer, conqueror of Willie Hoppe in 18.2, balking billiards, will soon play exhibition matches in Washington. There is a lot of interest in his coming and doubtless no hall will be large enough to accommodate the crowd.

## HE MAY FACE FOX.

Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, may face Joe Fox for the British title in England soon. Fox looks a great deal easier than several American featherweights.

## BLISS QUINT WINS.

Bliss Electrical School defeated Gonzaga College at basketball, 23 to 21, last night.

## Had Lean Year

PROFESSIONAL golfers who tour the South each winter had a very lean season last year, but hope that the larger resorts will offer sufficient prize money this winter to make the trip worth while. A few good tournaments are in prospect at San Antonio, Bel-air, Fla., and the North and South at Pinehurst.

## COLGATE LOSES BUT FOUR GRID STARS IN 1922

Webster, Edkin, Mosier and Thrall Leave College—Next Season's Prospects Are Good.

HAMILTON, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Colgate will lose only four varsity football men through graduation this year, it was announced today by the Maroon athletic management. They are Capt. "Bob" Webster, halfback; K. R. Edkin, quarter; H. L. Mosier, end, and D. S. Thrall, halfback.

In the backfield Sandford will be a contender for his berth at fullback, with Hermann and Townsend as his running mates at the halves. Strong opposition, however, is to be found in Mason and Pratt in the fullback position, as both of these men were started in the early games of the season. Other likely halfbacks to return will be Connelly, Moran, Burke, Hallock, Bulger and Stratton. The quarterback position will cause the coaches the most worry next season.

The entire line of this year's team will remain intact for the foundation of next season's eleven. At the ends Beardsley and Childs will be the likely choice, with Neacy, Stark, Hill, Tompkins, Hodgskin and Macchlin available for substitutes. The tackles have been well taken care of this year, and it is probable that the 1922 team will find Parnell and Leonard at their old places. Other tackles to return are Plumridge, Eckler and Doody.

The guard positions of this season's eleven were filled by Schoenfeld and Welsh and they undoubtedly be found in the line-up next year with Vose, Rolfe and Roden making strong bids for regular berths. The center offers the keenest competition. Traynor and Rathbone have been alternating more or less this season and it is a toss up between the two for a permanent place in 1922.

## Egan, Yale's Boxer, to be a Rhodes Scholar

Edward P. Egan, former amateur light heavyweight champion boxer of the world, who rejected a contract for \$50,000 to enter the professional ring in order to take up a Knights of Columbus war veterans scholarship at Sheffield Scientific School, Yale University, is the winner of a Rhodes scholarship, Supreme Secretary William J. McGinley, of the K. of C., announced today.

Egan, who hails from Denver, traveled all the way from the Rockies to K. of C. headquarters in New Haven when he read the announcement that the Knights of Columbus had offered 400 university scholarships to war veterans. He was a K-C scholarship in Yale, where he became captain of Yale's victorious boxing team. He will now complete his education at Oxford.

## END SEASON TODAY.

Langdon A. C. will finish its gridiron season today with Brentwood as its opponent in a game on the Langdon field. They will start at 2:30 p. m.

## DELAYED START HELPS CORNELL BASKET COACH

Prospects Bright, But Orther Has Plenty to Bother Him in Making Up Team.

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Although the Cornell basketball team will not open its season until the Christmas trip, starting at Cleveland with Western Reserve on December 31, the varsity five is already taking shape. The two weeks delay in opening the season has given Coach Howard Orther an opportunity of thoroughly testing his materials before putting a team together and it is likely that the five taken the floor at the end of the month will prove the best team that can be chosen.

Orther is, however, confronted with one puzzling problem, a hangover from the war and the eligibility rules that ineligible players were enrolled in the Student Army Training Corps. He has three men all of whom have played on the varsity team, eligible to play now, but who will not be eligible a month or two later.

Moiney to Play.  
He had no trouble in making a decision in the case of Joaquin Moiney, the big Cuban, who has played forward on the team for the last two years. Moiney, who was on the soccer team this fall, was declared eligible for basketball until January 1, but in view of the fact that the season does not start until then he obviously could be of no assistance to the team.

The cases of E. H. Cornish, guard on last year's five, and J. H. Porter, forward on the team two years ago, but ineligible to play until January, are in a different status. They can play until the end of January, when the first term ends. After that they will be ineligible. The team is scheduled to play quite a few games in January, including league contests with Columbia, Dartmouth and Princeton, and an important game with Syracuse.

Has Strong Nucleus.  
Porter and Cornish are first rate players, and under normal circumstances would make the team, but Orther must determine if the disruption of the team in mid season would not follow their departure. The chances are that he will finally decide to use them as reserves, and build a team from material which will be available all season.

Besides Cornish and Porter, Coach Orther has Captain W. F. Rippe, center, and C. S. Barkdale, Jr., forward, available from last year's team; J. H. Luther, a substitute forward last year; Jack Pope, a substitute guard, and Downs, another substitute who played guard for a time. He also has a promising forward in Wedell, who was a member of last year's freshmen outfit. If he discards Porter and Cornish as likely prospects, the Cornell team is likely to be made up of Barkdale and Wedell, forwards; Rippe, center, and Pope and Downs guards, though there is still time for some of the men on the second and third teams to come through.

## NOBLE IN AMERICA.

Tommy Noble, the British featherweight, who has been boxing in Australia, has arrived in California on his way home. He may appear in several bouts here, though, before sailing for England.

## TALK OF BIG BOUT.

Plans are under way for an eight-round bout for the world's lightweight title between Benny Leonard, the champion, and Jimmy Hanlon, the Denver boxer. The Philadelphia Ice Palace is seeking the contest.

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## DIAMONDS READY.

Diamond A. C. wants opponents for its 135-pound and 110-pound basketball teams. G. M. Griffith, of 1928 Second street northeast, is the manager.

## HE'S RAISING CALVES.

Tris Speaker, manager of the Cleveland Indians, is raising blooded calves on his farm in Texas and will not leave until it is time to play ball in the spring.

## SCOTT WOULD RETURN.

"Death Valley" Jim Scott, after several years on the Coast, wants to pitch for Minneapolis next year because Bob Fisher is with the Millers.

It has not yet been decided whether home games will be played at College Park or in Washington or Baltimore.

## "Zeke" Bailey Booked to Lead Marylanders

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Dec. 10.—A captain for Maryland's baseball nine is expected to be named the coming week. It is the general belief that this honor will go to "Zeke" Bailey, sturdy catcher for the last few seasons.

Maryland has lost by graduation two members of last year's varsity, Johnny Eismann, center-fielder and "Snitz" Snyder, who played both in the infield and outfield. Those who will be available include Nisbet, pitcher; Bailey, catcher; Pollock, Burroughs, Groves, infielders and Moran and Semler, outfielders.

In addition to Nisbet Maryland will have as a moundman Freddy Chichester, clever hurler here a few years ago, who has returned to the university. It is stated that "Vic" Keene, crack pitcher for several years will probably not pitch, owing to ineffectiveness it being alleged that he played professional ball. Little is known of the new material.

A decidedly attractive schedule is being arranged. A western trip during the middle of May is being seriously contemplated. Games for the proposed trip have already been booked with Syracuse, Michigan Aggies, Western Reserve, and the University of Illinois. Among the home games, definitely scheduled are those with Georgia Tech, North Carolina University, North Carolina State, Dartmouth, Syracuse, Catholic University will be played twice as may also Georgetown.

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